MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) None.

(*b*) Three.

(*c*) English is represented by Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan and Miss M. I. Rosemeyer. History is represented by Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan.

(*d*) Three.

Vacancies of Sirkar Vakils' Places.

122. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether there are Additional and Assistant Head Sirkar Vakils' places remaining unfilled by any permanent arrangements?

(*b*) If so, how many, and how long have they been remaining so?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The place of the Additional Head Sirkar Vakil was temporarily vacant from the 3rd January 1925 to the 25th January 1925, when Mr. Subba Aiyar was recalled to duty in connection with the present meeting of the Legislative Council. The post of an Assistant Head Sirkar Vakil has been permanently vacant since the 22nd December, 1924. This post has not yet been filled up.

Press Extracts placed before the Dewan.

123. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): (*a*) With regard to the Press extracts placed before the Dewan, what is the principle followed in selecting the several articles for translation?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table any two of such weekly collections?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Articles considered important are translated and placed before the Government.

(*b*) The answer is in the negative.

Assignment of Swampy Areas within Reserved Forests.

124. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to sell all the swampy areas within reserved forests in small blocks for paddy cultivation?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The order of Government is that the lands disafforested from the reserved forests should be sold by public auction as a general rule. Blocks decided to be sold in public auction will generally be sold in small blocks.

Recommendations of Disafforestation Committees.

125. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): (*a*) Have the Government disallowed the registry of any of the swampy areas proposed for registry by the several Disafforestation Committees?

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(*b*) If so, will they be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the names of the taluks in which such lands are situated, with their acreage?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Government have not accepted, in the case of a few swampy areas, the proposal of the committees that they should be disafforested.

(*b*) The member is referred to G. O's Nos. R. O. C. 700 A/23/Rev., Dis. 1590/23/Revenue, Dis. 691/24/Revenue, R. O. C. 700 A/23/Revenue, and Dis. 1544/24/Revenue, dated the 4th September 1923, 20th November 1923, 20th May 1924, 13th June 1924 and 17th October 1924, respectively, published in the *Government Gazette*.

Punishment of Government Officers canvassing at Elections.

126. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to issue stringent orders at once to the effect that they would severely punish Government officers who canvass for or against any candidate in the forthcoming elections?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Member's attention is invited to Government notification No. 102 of 22/Legis., dated the 24th February, 1922, published in the *Government Gazette* dated the 28th *idem*. Government will publish a similar notification in due time on the eve of the forthcoming elections.

University for Travancore.

127. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): (*a*) Do the Government propose to establish a University in Travancore?

(*b*) Is the University proposed to be established for Kerala as a whole or for Travancore alone?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The report of the University Committee is being printed. It is not possible to express any opinion on the matter at this stage.

LEGISLATION.

The Limitation Regulation Amendment Bill.

MR. V. SUBBA AIYAR (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*): I beg to present the report of the Select Committee on the Limitation Regulation Amendment Bill and move that the same may be taken up for consideration.

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): I beg to second the motion.

The motion was carried.

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